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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	7)
IN RE WORLD TRADE CENTER DISASTER SITE LITIGATION	21 MC 100 (AKH)
DAVID VELEZ AND KIMBERLY VELEZ	DOCKET NO.
Plaintiffs,	CHECK-OFF ("SHORT FORM") COMPLAINT RELATED TO THE
- against -	MASTER COMPLAINT
A RUSSO WRECKING, ET. AL.,	PLAINTIFF(S) DEMAND A TRIAL BY JURY
SEE ATTACHED RIDER,	
Defendants.	
By Order of the Honorable Alvin K. Heller 2006, ("the Order"), Amended Master Complaints fo	rstein, United States District Judge, dated June 22, r all Plaintiffs were filed on August 18, 2006.
NOTICE	OF ADOPTION
instant Plaintiff(s) as if fully set forth herein in add Plaintiff(s), which are listed below. These are marked and specific case information is set forth, as needed, by	d with an '☑" if applicable to the instant Plaintiff(s),
GRONER EDELMAN & NAPOLI BERN, LLP, con	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

### I. PARTIES

#### A. PLAINTIFF(S)

citizen		✓ Plaintiff, DAVID VELEZ (here York residing at 36 Canton Court,	· ·	
		,	(OR)	
	2.	Alternatively, \( \square\)	is the	of Decedent
		, and brings this claim in his (he	r) capacity as of the Es	state of

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York residing at 36 Canton Court, Brooklyn, NY 112 Injured Plaintiff:  SPOUSE at all relevant times h DAVID VELEZ, and brings th injuries sustained by her husba	after the "Derivative Plaintiff"), is a citizen of New 229-0000, and has the following relationship to the herein, is and has been lawfully married to Plaintiff his derivative action for her (his) loss due to the had (his wife), Plaintiff DAVID VELEZ. Other:
4. In the period from 9/13/2001 to 9/29/2 Police Department (NYPD) as a Detective at:	2001 the Injured Plaintiff worked for New York
Please be as specific as possible when fi	lling in the following dates and locations
The World Trade Center Site Location(s) ( <i>i.e.</i> , building, quadrant, etc.)  From on or about _9/13/2001_ until _9/29/2001_; Approximately _17_ hours per day; for Approximately _8_ days total.  The New York City Medical Examiner's Office From on or about until, Approximately hours per day; for Approximately hours per day; for Approximately days total.	The Barge  From on or about until; Approximately hours per day; for Approximately days total.
☐ The Fresh Kills Landfill  From on or about until;  Approximately hours per day; for  Approximately days total.	From on or about until; Approximately hours per day; for Approximately days total; Name and Address of Non-WTC Site Building/Worksite:
*Continue this information on a separate sheet of pa "Other" locations, please annex a separate	apper if necessary. If more space is needed to specify ate sheet of paper with the information.
above;  Was exposed to and inhaled or dates at the site(s) indicated above;	noxious fumes on all dates, at the site(s) indicated ringested toxic substances and particulates on all or touched toxic or caustic substances on all dates at

6.

Injured	1 Plaintiff
V	Has not made a claim to the Victim Compensation Fund. Pursuant to $$405(c)(3)(B)(i)$ of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. $$40101$ , the issue of waiver is inapplicable.
	Made a claim to the Victim Compensation Fund that was denied. Pursuant to $\$405(c)(3)(B)(i)$ of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. $\$40101$ , the issue of waiver is inapplicable.
	Made a claim to the Victim Compensation Fund, that was subsequently withdrawn by Ground-Zero Plaintiff. Pursuant to § 405(c)(3)(B)(i) of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. § 40101, the issue of waiver is inapplicable.
	Made a claim to the Victim Compensation Fund that was granted. Pursuant to $\$405(c)(3)(B)(i)$ of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. $\$40101$ , Ground Zero-Plaintiff has waived her/his right(s) to pursue any further legal action for the injuries identified in said claim.

#### B. DEFENDANT(S)

The following is a list of all Defendant(s) named in the Master Complaint. If checked, all paragraphs pertaining to that Defendant are deemed pleaded herein.

☐ THE CITY OF NEW YORK	☑ A RUSSO WRECKING
☐ A Notice of Claim was timely filed and	☑ ABM INDUSTRIES, INC.
served on and	$\square$ ABM JANITORIAL NORTHEAST, INC.
	☑ AMEC CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT,
☐ pursuant to General Municipal Law §50-	INC.
h the CITY held a hearing on(OR)	☑ AMEC EARTH & ENVIRONMENTAL, INC.
☐ The City has yet to hold a hearing as	☑ ANTHONY CORTESE SPECIALIZED
required by General Municipal Law §50-h	HAULING, LLC, INC.
$\square$ More than thirty days have passed and	☑ ATLANTIC HEYDT CORP
the City has not adjusted the claim	☑ BECHTEL ASSOCIATES PROFESSIONAL
(OR)	CORPORATION
☐ An Order to Show Cause application to	☑ BECHTEL CONSTRUCTION, INC.
deem Plaintiff's (Plaintiffs') Notice of	☑ BECHTEL CORPORATION
Claim timely filed, or in the alternative to grant	☑ BECHTEL ENVIRONMENTAL, INC.
Plaintiff(s) leave to file a late Notice of Claim	☑ BERKEL & COMPANY, CONTRACTORS,
Nunc Pro Tunc (for leave to file a late Notice of	INC.
Claim <i>Nunc Pro Tunc</i> ) has been filed and a	☑ BIG APPLE WRECKING & CONSTRUCTION
determination	CORP
☐ is pending	☐ BOVIS LEND LEASE, INC.
☐ Granting petition was made on	☑ BOVIS LEND LEASE LMB, INC.
☐ Denying petition was made on	☑ BREEZE CARTING CORP
=======================================	☑ BREEZE NATIONAL, INC.
☐ PORT AUTHORITY OF NEW YORK AND	$\square$ BRER-FOUR TRANSPORTATION CORP.
NEW JERSEY ["PORT AUTHORITY"]	☑ BURO HAPPOLD CONSULTING ENGINEERS,
☐ A Notice of Claim was filed and served	P.C.
pursuant to Chapter 179, §7 of The	☑ C.B. CONTRACTING CORP
Unconsolidated Laws of the State of New	☑ CANRON CONSTRUCTION CORP
York on	☐ CONSOLIDATED EDISON COMPANY OF
☐ More than sixty days have elapsed since	NEW YORK, INC.
the Notice of Claim was filed, (and)	☑ CORD CONTRACTING CO., INC
☐ the PORT AUTHORITY has	☐ CRAIG TEST BORING COMPANY INC.
adjusted this claim	☑ DAKOTA DEMO-TECH
☐ the PORT AUTHORITY has not	☑ DIAMOND POINT EXCAVATING CORP
adjusted this claim.	☑ DIEGO CONSTRUCTION, INC.
=======================================	☑ DIVERSIFIED CARTING, INC. ☑ DMT ENTERPRISE, INC.
□ 1 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC	☑ D'ONOFRIO GENERAL CONTRACTORS
□ 1 WTC HOLDINGS, LLC	CORP
□ 2 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC	☑ EAGLE LEASING & INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY
□ 2 WTC HOLDINGS, LLC	✓ EAGLE CEASING & INDUSTRIAL SUFFLY ✓ EAGLE ONE ROOFING CONTRACTORS INC.
□ 4 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC	□ EAGLE SCAFFOLDING CO, INC.
□ 4 WTC HOLDINGS, LLC	☑ ENGLE SEAT GEDING CO, INC. ☑ EJ DAVIES, INC.
☐ 5 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC	☑ EN-TECH CORP
☐ 5 WTC HOLDINGS, LLC	□ ET ENVIRONMENTAL
☐ 7 WORLD TRADE COMPANY, L.P.	□EVANS ENVIRONMENTAL

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☐ OTHER:

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✓ SAFEWAY ENVIRONMENTAL CORP

☑ SEASONS INDUSTRIAL CONTRACTING

✓ YORK HUNTER CONSTRUCTION, LLC

☑ ZIEGENFUSS DRILLING, INC.

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☐ Non-WTC Site Building Owner	☐ Non-WTC Site Building Managing Agent
Name:	Name:
Business/Service Address:	
Building/Worksite Address:	Building/Worksite Address:
☐ Non-WTC Site Lessee	<u> </u>
Name:	
Business/Service Address:	
Building/Worksite Address:	

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The Court's jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action is:

Stabil	ounded upon Federal Question Jurisdiction; specization Act of 2001, (or);   Federal Officers I;  Contested, by val jurisdiction over this action, pursuant to 28	Jurisdi ut the U.S.C	iction, (or);  Other (specify): Court has already determined that it has C. § 1441.
of lial			d defendants based upon the following theories a such a claim under the applicable substantive
<b>V</b>	Breach of the defendants' duties and obligations pursuant to the New York State Labor Law(s) including §§ 200 and 240	<b>V</b>	Common Law Negligence, including allegations of Fraud and Misrepresentation
<b>V</b>	Breach of the defendants' duties and obligations pursuant to the New York State Labor Law 241(6)		<ul> <li>✓ Air Quality;</li> <li>✓ Effectiveness of Mask Provided;</li> <li>✓ Effectiveness of Other Safety Equipment Provided</li> </ul>
<b>V</b>	Pursuant to New York General Municipal Law §205-a		(specify:);  ✓ Other(specify): Not yet determined
V	Pursuant to New York General Municipal Law §205-e		Wrongful Death
		V	Loss of Services/Loss of Consortium for Derivative Plaintiff

Other: \_

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1. As a direct and proximate result of defendant's culpable actions in the rescue and/or recovery and/or construction, renovation, alteration, demolition and all work performed at the premises, the Injured Plaintiff sustained (including, but not limited to) the following injuries:

	Cancer Injury: N/A.  Date of onset:  Date physician first connected this injury to  WTC work:	V	Cardiovascular Injury: Chest Pain Date of onset: 1/27/2005 Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work: To be supplied at a later date
V	Respiratory Injury: Cough; Shortness of  Breath Date of onset: 1/27/2005 Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work: To be supplied at a later date	<b>V</b>	Fear of Cancer Date of onset: 1/27/2005 Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work: To be supplied at a later date
	Digestive Injury: N/A.  Date of onset:  Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work:	V	Other Injury: Eye and/or Ear Problems Date of onset: 1/27/2005 Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work: To be supplied at a later date

*NOTE:* The foregoing is *NOT* an exhaustive list of injuries that may be alleged.

2. As a direct and proximate result of the injuries identified in paragraph "1", above, the Ground Zero-Plaintiff has in the past suffered and/or will in the future suffer the following compensable damages:

damages:		
==== <b>V</b>	Pain and suffering	
V	Loss of the enjoyment of life	
<b>√</b>	Loss of earnings and/or impairment of earning capacity	
<b>▽</b>	Loss of retirement benefits/diminution of retirement benefits  Expenses for medical care, treatment, and	
•	rehabilitation	
V	Other:  ✓ Mental anguish ✓ Disability ✓ Medical monitoring ✓ Other: Not yet determined	

3. As a direct and proximate result of the injuries described *supra*, the derivative plaintiff(s), if any, have in the past suffered and/or will in the future suffer a loss of the love, society, companionship, services, affection, and support of the plaintiff and such other losses, injuries and damages for which compensation is legally appropriate.

**WHEREFORE**, plaintiff(s) respectfully pray that the Court enter judgment in his/her/their favor and against defendant(s) for damages, costs of suit and such other, further and different relief as may be just and appropriate.

Plaintiff(s) demands that all issues of fact in this case be tried before a properly empanelled jury.

Dated: New York, New York April 25, 2007

Yours, etc.,

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ATTORNEY VERIFICATION

CHRISTOPHER R. LOPALO, an attorney at law, duly admitted to practice in the Courts of the State of New York, affirms under the penalties of

perjury that:

He is the attorney for the plaintiff(s) in the above-entitled action.

That he has read the foregoing SUMMONS AND VERIFIED COMPLAINT and knows

the contents thereof, and upon information and belief, deponent believes

the matters alleged therein to be true.

The reason this Verification is made by deponent and not by the

plaintiff(s) is that the plaintiff(s) herein reside(s) in a county other

than the one in which the plaintiff's attorneys maintain their office.

The source of deponent's information and the grounds of his belief

are communication, papers, reports and investigation contained in the

file.

DATED: New York, New York

April 25, 2007

CHRISTOPHER R. LOPALO

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	To Attorney(s) for
======	Service of a copy of the within is hereby admitted.
	Dated,
======	Attorney(s) for ===================================
□ <u>N</u>	ASE TAKE NOTICE:  OTICE OF ENTRY that the within is a (certified) true copy of an duly entered in the office of the clerk of the within named court on20  OTICE OF SETTLEMENT that an order of which the within is a true copy will be presented for settlement to the HON. one of the judges of the within named Court, at on 20 atM.  Dated,  Yours, etc.,  WORBY GRONER EDELMAN & NAPOLI BERN, LLP